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CLEANING AGENT FOR SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF

FABRICATING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Box Fee Amendment The Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

For:

The following Remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action dated December 5, 2002.

REMARKS

At the time of the Office Action dated December 5, 2002, claims 1-17 were pending in this application. Of those claims, claims 1-8 have been rejected and claims 9-17 have been withdrawn from consideration pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.142(b). Applicants acknowledge, with appreciation, the Examiner's indication that claim 8 contains allowable subject matter.